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UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE IN RURAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether official figures indicate decline in number of unemployed people in rural areas of the country during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) If so, the details thereof confirming the decline during the said period, State-wise;

(c) The details of the authority which collect and compile these figures;

(d) Whether the Government has a machinery to find out the correctness of these figures; and

(e) If so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a) to (e) The estimates of employment and unemployment are made by the Planning Commission on the basis of quinquennial survey conducted by the National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO). The estimates of unemployment are based on the scientific methodology followed by the NSSO. As per the information furnished by the Planning Commission based on the latest quinquennial rounds of National Sample Survey organisation

(NSSO) on employment and unemployment, estimated unemployed persons by current daily status (CDS) for selected States in rural areas are given below: -

Table : Estimated No. of Unemployed Persons (`000) on CDS basis in Rural Areas.

Selected States 1999-2000

1. Andhra Pradesh 2153

2. Assam 532

3. Bihar 2033

4. Gujarat 629
5, Haryana 217
6. Karnataka 638

7 Kerala 1800

8. Madhya Pradssh 903

9. Maharashtra 1567
10. Orissa 787
11. Punjab 207
12. Rajasthan 470
I3.Tamilnadu 2196
14.Uttar Pradesh 1462
15.West Bengal 3127